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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently amended) An electric motor-and-gear assembly for driving automotive power accessories such as front and rear wipers, power window units, or the like, said assembly having a transmission casing (10) closed by means of a casing cover (12), and having a socket (13) that is disposed in the casing cover (12) and adapted to be contacted by means of a connector plug in order to connect the electric motor to the electrical system of the vehicle, and an interchangeable adapter (15; 15'; 15") attached to said socket (13), said adapter having a first group (16) of electrical contacts adapted to the socket (13) and a second group (17) of electrical contacts adapted to the connector plug, said contacts of the two contact groups (16, 17) being connected to one another in an electrically conductive manner inside the adapter (15; 15'; 15"), wherein the contacts of the two contact groups (16, 17) of the adapter (15; 15'; 15") are comprised of plug tabs (18, 19) of which the one group of plug tabs (18) are embodied so that they can be slid in a positively engaging fashion into the socket (13) and the other plug tabs (19) are embodied so that they can be slid in a positively engaging fashion into plug sleeves of a connector plug, and wherein the electrical connection between the plug tabs (18, 19) is produced by means of strips or struts (21) disposed in the adapter body (20; 20') whose ends have the plug

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tabs (18, 19) formed onto them and of one piece with them, wherein the adapter (15; 15') has an adapter body (20; 20') a first end (201) with a recess (22) formed therein in which the plug tabs (19) of one contact group (17) are disposed and can be accessed and that the plug tabs (18) of the other contact group (16) protrude at right angles from an underside surface of the adapter body (20; 20') close to a second end (202) of the adapter body (20; 20').

8. (Previously presented) The motor-and-gear assembly according to claim 7, wherein the socket (13) has plug sleeves (14).

9. (Previously presented) The motor-and-gear assembly according to claim 8, wherein the plug sleeves (14) of the socket (13) are incorporated directly into the casing cover (12), preferably are cast into it.

Claims 10-11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) The motor-and-gear assembly according to claim 7 An electric motor-and-gear assembly for driving automotive power accessories such as front and rear wipers, power window units, or the like, said assembly having a transmission casing (10) closed by means of a casing cover (12), and having a socket (13) that is disposed in the casing cover (12) and adapted to be contacted by means of a connector plug in order to connect the electric motor to the electrical system of the vehicle, and an interchangeable adapter (15; 15'; 15'') attached to said

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socket (13), said adapter having a first group (16) of electrical contacts adapted to the socket (13)
and a second group (17) of electrical contacts adapted to the connector plug, said contacts of the
two contact groups (16, 17) being connected to one another in an electrically conductive manner
inside the adapter (15; 15'; 15''), wherein the contacts of the two contact groups (16, 17) of the
adapter (15; 15'; 15'') are comprised of plug tabs (18, 19) of which the one group of plug tabs
(18) are embodied so that they can be slid in a positively engaging fashion into the socket (13)
and the other plug tabs (19) are embodied so that they can be slid in a positively engaging fashion
into plug sleeves of a connector plug, and wherein the electrical connection between the plug tabs
(18, 19) is produced by means of strips or struts (21) disposed in the adapter body (20; 20')
whose ends have the plug tabs (18, 19) formed onto them and of one piece with them, wherein
the adapter (15'') is embodied as a flat plastic plate (23) and the plug tabs (18) of the one contact
group (16) protrude from one side of the plastic plate (23) and the plug tabs (19) of the other
contact group (17) protrude from the other side of the plastic plate (23).

Claims 13-14. (Canceled)